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SUBJ: OMEGA BASE IN AUSTRALIA

A NATIONWIDE MORGAN GALLUP POLL BASED ON A SAMPLE OF 1,104 PEOPLE INDICATES THAT THE AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC FAVORS CONSTRUCTION OF AN OMEGA STATION HERE. THE TEXT OF THE ARTICLE REPORTING THE RESULTS OF THE POLL IS REPEATED BELOW:

QTE. OMEGA BASE WELCOME HERE

PUBLIC OPINION CLEARLY FAVORS THE AMERICANS BUILDING AN OMEGA NAVIGATION BASE IN AUSTRALIA.

IN AN AUSTRALIA-WIDE MORGAN GALLUP POSS, A CROSS-SECTION OF 1,104 PEOPLE WERE ASKED IF THEY KNEW THAT THE UNITED STATES WANTED TO BUILD AN OMEGA NAVIGATION STATION IN SOUTH-EASTERN AUSTRALIA.

ONLY 55 PERCENT SAID THAY KNEW OF IT.

EVERYONE INTERVIEWED WAS THEN TOLD THAT SHIPS, AEROPLANES AND SUBMARINES COULD USE OMEGA NAVIGATION STATIONS THROUGHTOUT THE WORLD TO FIND WHERE THEY WERE.

ASKED WHETHER THEY FAVORED, OR OPPOSED LETTING AMERICA BUILD THE OMEGA STATION HERE, 55 PERCENT SAID THEY FAVORED IT, 21 PERCENT OPPOSED IT AND 24 PERCENT WERE UNDECIDED.

OF THOSE WHO KNEW OF THE PROPOSAL TO BUILD THE OMEGA STATION, 61 PERCENT FAVOR IT, 24 PERCENT OPPOSE IT AND 15 PERCENT ARE UNDECIDED.

OF THOSE WHO DIDN T KNOW OF IT, 47 PERCENT SAID

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THEY FAVORED IT, 18 PERCENT OPPOSED IT AND 35 PER-

CENT WERE UNDECIDED. ENDQTE  
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